Appl. No. 10/718,293 Response dated 04/24/2008 Reply to Office Action of 01/24/2008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of:

Robert James Blainey et al.

: Before the Examiner: Serial No: 10/718,293 Meng Yao Zhe

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Title: SOFTWARE BARRIER

: Confirmation No.: 1209 SYNCHRONIZATION

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 24, 2008, please amend the above-identified Application as shown below and consider the following Remarks.

Changes to the CLAIMS begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.